

Week beginning 18th September 2023

Ladybird Class Weekly Update

Gosh what a busy week, I think there are some tired children! But well done to all of Ladybird class, you have done so well 😊

We have looked at the Bee rules and next week we will continue to build upon using them in the classroom.

The phonics for next week are: i, n, p, g, o. Please do use the mini phonics booklets sent out last week (the daily videos) to continue to reinforce the phonics at home.

We are still working on rules and routines in the class – there is a lot to take in!

We will be reading the story of Goldilocks and the 3 bears – we will be looking at fiction books and we will be retelling the story using different finger puppets to help us. We will be modelling writing based upon the story.

In maths we will be beginning to subitise, we will be looking at numbers to 5.

Mrs Moore and Mrs Staples will be swapping days next week- Mrs Moore will be in on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Mrs Staples will be in on Wednesday and Friday.

A busy week ahead!

Butterfly Class Weekly Update

Phonics - This week we will continue to revise set 2 sounds – ir (whirl and twirl), ou (shout it out), oy (toy for a boy) and a recap of all set 2 sounds.

Common exception words of the week – we will be practising reading and writing the following words this week – of, said, says, are and were.

English - We will continue with our Read Write Inc 'Get Writing' books. Focusing on using capital letters at the start of sentences, finger spaces between words and full stops to end each sentence.

Maths - We will be finding one less than a number, comparing groups and using the mathematical language – fewer, more, the same, greater than, less than and equal to.

Science - We will be describing the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials. Comparing and grouping them based on their properties.

History - We will conclude our learning about Christopher Columbus by exploring the impact and discoveries of his voyages, learning about what he brought back to Europe.

RE - We will continue to find out about what happened in Jesus' lifetime. Investigating some stories about what Jesus did in his lifetime. We will make some 'before and after' pictures of the people that Jesus helped.

Art - We will again be making our collages inspired by nature, for the front of our sketch books.

Guided reading – The Snail and the Whale by Julia Donaldson.

DT - Over the next few weeks, Year 1 and 2 will be taking part in a DT project. We will design, make and evaluate moon buggies to fit with our topic 'Take Off'. For this, we would like the children to bring in a range of materials that they might like to use, to make their moon buggy. A range of junk modelling materials would be great. We would also appreciate some donations of tin foil. Many thanks in advance!

Dragonfly Class Weekly Update

Next Week:

English, we will be planning, writing and editing a letter. We will be using our key text *Counting on Katherine* as our focus for this.

SPAG, we will be looking at nouns and proper nouns and identifying and writing these.

Maths, we will continue to focus on place value and solving problems with this knowledge. We are revisiting counting in 2's, 5's and 10's from any number and will begin to count in 3's.

Science, we will be exploring differences between natural and man-made materials and discussing how some of these may seem to fit into both categories.

History, we will be looking at the conditions that Columbus and his crew lived with on their voyage. We will also be re-visiting the key elements of his exploration.

RE, we will be continuing our unit, 'What is God like for Christians'. We will explore what Christians say about God. We will look at a range of images of God and consider how these images reflect Christian's descriptions of God.

Art, we will continue with our Explore and Draw unit. This week, we will be using our observational skills to draw (from a photograph) the incredible Ephemeral pieces we created last week, hence turning Ephemeral art into permanent art!

Guided reading will be *Traction Man* by Mini Grey.

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